

ANNOUNCEMENTS

North Carolina Teacher Named
National Humane Education Teacher of the Year

In recognition of her work to promote concern and respect for animals, Kathryn Anderson, second and third grade combination teacher at Battleground Elementary School in Lincolnton, North Carolina has been named the recipient of the annual Humane Education Teacher of the Year award.

Humane education is a philosophy of education that encourages the development of compassion and respect for all living things. The award, sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Humane Education, education division of The Humane Society of the United States, is presented to an elementary or secondary school teacher who makes humane education part of his or her regular classroom activities. A winner and finalists are chosen each year from nominees from around the country.

Outstanding activities of this year's winner included Anderson's "across the curriculum" approach, stressing language arts, science, and mathematics concepts while helping students better understand the animals that share their world.

Patty A. Finch, Director of The National Association for the Advancement of Humane Education, commended the educator's exceptional work, observing: "Her successful blending of curriculum concepts with ideals of respect and compassion for all that lives serves as a shining example of quality education. We are more than pleased to have this opportunity to recognize her dedicated teaching efforts."

In addition to the winner of the National Humane Education Teacher of the Year award, three additional finalists were also named. They are Dr. Joyce Bloom, health and physical education teacher from Bronx, New York; Julaine Demge, kindergarten teacher from Oceanside, California; and Anita Martincich, first and second grade teacher from Corte Madera, California.

Animal Welfare Data Base Established

AMNET is an educational data base dedicated to animal welfare. Its authors, James and Krystyna Cherry, have combined their areas of expertise in computers and educational media to address companion-animal care and animal rights issues. James and Krystyna are supported by The American Anti-Vivisection Society, International Primate Protection League, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, American Fund for Alternatives to Animal Research, Friends of Animals, Animal Protection Institute, Trans-Species Unlimited, American Humane Association, and International Society for Animal Rights, who have given permission to reproduce their publications. More organizations will be included in the future.

Computer users can use their machines through a telephone link to access AMNET which also includes PETSCAN. This section explains feeding, housing, and health care of companion animals.

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